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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : John Crescenti et al.
Application No. : 09/354,063 Examiner : Ella Colbert
Filed : July 15, 1999 Art Unit : 3624
Title: : MODULAR BACKUP AND RETRIEVAL SYSTEM

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RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Madam:

This is in response to the Office Action dated June 10, 2003 containing a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment (Voluntary Revised Practice) and follows a Response to Office Action dated June 2, 2003, an Office Action dated November 14, 2002, a Request for Continued Examination on March 14, 2003, and an interview with the Examiner conducted May 20, 2003 at the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

Applicant resubmits this amendment as requested by the legal instruments examiner to include clean and marked-up versions of the specification and the claims. Applicant believes that this amendment now satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.121.

IN THE DRAWINGS

In response to the examiner's objections to the drawings as failing to comply with 37CFR 1.84(p)(5), applicants enclose herewith a red-lined version of the original drawings, as well as corrected drawings indicating the changes requested, and applicants request that the examiner approve the corrected drawings.

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